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Air India bomber gets bail

Reyat free while awaiting perjury trial after serving 20 years for 1985 bombings

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For the first time in 20 years, convicted Air India bomber Inderjit Singh Reyat is a free man, after the B.C. Court of Appeal granted him bail today in his upcoming perjury trial.

Reyat, 55, the only person ever convicted in the 1985 Air India bombings that killed 331 people, including 81 children and teens, has been in jail since his arrest in England in 1988.

Reyat finished serving his second manslaughter sentence in February, but was kept in jail awaiting a perjury trial in January.

"We're disappointed in the release," Attorney General Wally Oppal said yesterday.

"It's important to keep in mind that — while the public associates Reyat with the bombing itself, and the horrible tragedy that took place — right now Reyat is facing a charge of perjury."

The conditions of his bail are subject to a ban and have not yet been made public.

"It's safe to say that (the bail conditions) are about as strict as you can get," Oppal said, adding that an appeal of the release would be up to Crown prosecutor Leonard Doust.

Reyat, an electrician from Duncan, pleaded guilty in 2003 to supplying materials that were used in the bomb that brought down Air India Flight 182 off the coast of Ireland in June 1985. The crash killed all 329 people on board.

Hours later, a second bomb exploded at the Narita airport in Tokyo, killing two baggage handlers.

In 1991, Reyat was found guilty of manslaughter and was given a 10-year sentence for providing the bomb materials in the Narita explosions.

In 2003, Reyat along with Kamloops millworker Ajaib Singh Bagri and Vancouver businessman Ripudaman Singh Malik were charged with first-degree murder in Air India 182. Reyat pled guilty to manslaughter and testified against his co-accused.

Both Bagri and Malik were acquitted in 2005.

alleged perjury

It is alleged that Inderjit Singh Reyat Reyat perjured himself 27 times during his testimony.

iPhone costs lowered due to complaints

LIMITED TIME Rogers Wireless has bowed to pressure to make the new iPhone, which is being released nationwide tomorrow, more affordable.

Customers who activate their phone by Aug. 31 on a three-year contract will also be offered 6GB of data for $30 a month, a promotion that was announced yesterday following complaints about the cost of running the $199 phone.

Six Rogers stores across Canada, including one on West Broadway and Arbutus Street, are opening at 8 a.m. tomorrow to promote the nationwide launch of the much-anticipated touch-screen multimedia phone.

Rogers is the only Canadian carrier that has a network capable of running the product.

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Amputee attacked in parking dispute

True blue

It's a draw

RAFE ARNOTT/METRO VANCOUVER

Whitecaps forward Eduardo Sebrango is swamped by teammates Omar Jarun and Takashi Hirano, left, after scoring against Toronto FC late in the first half at Swangard Stadium last night. The teams played to a 2-2 draw, eliminating Vancouver, and hampering Toronto's chances of advancing in the CONCACAF Champions League.

Cops brace for Angels celebration

25TH ANNIVERSARY Lower Mainland police detachments are mutually bracing for one hell of a party this month when hundreds of Hells Angels congregate in Langley for the motorcycle gang's 25th anniversary.

The White Rock chapter of the Hells Angels is hosting the party for the Vancouver, Nanaimo and White Rock chapters on July 25 and 26 at the Hells Angels clubhouse.

Vancouver Police Insp. Dean Robinson said yesterday the group will be drawing a significant police presence.

"They're very well versed in who we are and what we do," Robinson said. "We're going to make a special effort to participate as heavily in that as we can."

Cpl. Peter Thiessen said RCMP and the number of officers watching the gathering will be "proportionate to the scale" of the event.

"The public may notice officers of all agencies working shoulder to shoulder while policing this event," he said.

"The primary focus will be on increased enforcement, prevention and a measured response to any incidents that may arise."

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Park it at the theatre
Stanley Park's summer theatre show, Theatre Under the Stars, opened last night at the Malkin Bowl. The theatre will feature Jesus Christ Superstar and Annie Get Your Gun on alternating nights until Aug. 16. **NEWS1130.COM**

Local

Culture to grab onto

Squamish is holding a grassroots celebration of mountain culture from July 16 to July 20. The Squamish Mountain Festival features a mix of films, clinics, competitions and guest speakers. For more information, go to *squamishmountainfestival.com.* METRO VANCOUVER

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Suspects sought in assault on amputee

Attack stemmed from parking dispute

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A Vancouver woman who has a prosthetic leg says she was left shaken and banged up after being verbally and physically assaulted by two men she confronted for parking illegally in a handicapped parking space.

Susan, who did not want to give her last name, said she was in a London Drugs parking lot on Davie Street on July 1, when two able-bodied men pulled into a handicapped space beside her.

She put a notice on their windshield telling them they had parked illegally and when they returned she brought the matter to their attention.

Susan said the men started yelling and swearing, telling her it was none of her business.

PHOTO COURTESY VANCOUVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Video surveillance of suspects in the assault of a disabled woman.

"I exposed my prosthetic and said, 'Actually it is my business,'" said Susan, who was standing between her seat and open driver-side door.

She said the verbal tirade continued and one of the men came around and slammed her door on her.

"They grabbed the notice, ripped it up and threw the pieces into my car and then pushed the door against me (again)," said Susan.

"It was very deliberate. That's what was so surprising … I could have been somebody much more frail and vulnerable."

Vancouver police Const. Tim Fanning said police have surveillance footage of the suspects in the London Drugs, and hopes someone recognizes them.

"This is a shocking incident. This woman was disabled," he said.

Contact

- Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call 604-717-3349 ext. 2332.

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SHANE MACKICHAN/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Firefighters battle a three-alarm fire at the Woodlands building in New Westminster.

Fire forces 150 to evacuate

WOODLANDS About 150 people had to leave their New Westminster homes yesterday afternoon after a three-alarm fire at the next-door Woodlands building — the second fire at the site this week.

The centre section of the main three-storey building was engulfed in flames roughly 10 metres high at the height of the blaze.

Sgt. Ivan Chu of the New West police said firefighters had to let the building burn down and worked to direct the fire away from nearby residences.

"There's no way the firefighters could get into the building, so they're spraying water from the outside," Chu said.

He added the cause of the fire has not yet been determined and that it'll be treated as suspicious.

Last Thursday, a smaller fire at Woodlands was thought to be started by homeless people squatting in the empty building.

The Woodlands Institute was opened in 1878 for the mentally and physically handicapped. Several former residents and their families sued, alleging sexual and physical abuse. It closed in 1996.

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False Creek safe again
The water quality in False Creek has returned to safe levels. Last week, coliform levels were so high that warnings were posted. The contamination is believed to have come from a broken sewer pipe. SOURCE: CKNW.COM

Stem cells needed

Rally aims to get ethnic minorities added to registry

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The Vancouver friends and family of a Toronto woman battling leukemia hope a stem cell drive, being held on Sunday, will help find the rare and much-needed match their ailing friend requires.

Carolyn Tam, 37, has been battling leukemia since 2006, and is in dire need of a bone marrow transplant.

The problem, said childhood friend Susana Junk, who lives in Vancouver, is that Tam needs a donor of Chinese descent, which is difficult because ethnic minorities are underrepresented in the donor registry.

Junk said while Caucasians have a 70-85 per cent chance of finding a match, the likelihood drops to five per cent for Chinese patients because so few Chinese are registered as donors.

"Asians are not really too aware of the stem cell donating process," said Junk. "It's simple. Register not just for Carolyn, but for other people in her situation."

Sunday's drive will provide on-site testing and the opportunity for people to sign others up for the bone marrow registry.

A previous drive held in Vancouver on June 14 tested 820 people. On the same day in Ontario, 1,500 showed up at four drives.

"Mentally, (Carolyn) is very positive," said Junk. "Her spirit is still very high."

rally info

- The stem cell drive will be held at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church in Richmond from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. for parishioners and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for the public.
- For more information about Carolyn, go to *savecarolyn.com*.
- To register on the bone marrow registry go to *onematch.ca*.

PHOTO COURTESY OF SUSANA JUNK

Carolyn Tam, left, and Susana Junk. Junk is helping organize a stem cell drive to help Tam in her fight against leukemia.

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Carlene Timmers, a server at the Kingston Taphouse and Grill, is the founder of Servers For a Cure. Servers from three restaurants are posing topless in a calendar to raise money for breast cancer.

Servers pose topless for breast cancer

JOYCE YIP
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Looking for a date with a topless waitress? A group of 25 Vancouver servers are featured in a charity calendar to help raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research.

Servers for a Cure is a non-profit group of workers from the Kingston Tap House & Grille, Romano's Macaroni Grill and the Red Door Pan Asian Grill.

They posed topless last month for a 2009-2010 calendar looking to raise $20,000 for the B.C. Cancer Foundation.

The 1,000 calendars, which include $40 worth of discounts from the restaurants, go on sale July 17 at the Kingston Tap House and Grille for $20 each.

Carlene Timmers, a server at the Kingston Tap House, said her aunt is a breast cancer survivor. She is not featured in the calendar, but helped organize it.

"It's a novelty calendar. So when someone is going through a tough time with cancer, maybe it'll help them out a bit," Timmers said. "All I want to do is make some ruckus or cause some attention in the name of breast cancer."

How to buy

For all donations and pre-orders, e-mail Timmers at *serversforacure@hotmail.com*.

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Ticket tactics bother biker

I take my street bike to work every sunny day … (as) bus service in my area is very infrequent.

Yes, biking saves me gas money (and) pollutes less.

I park at the corner of Burrard and Hastings along with approximately 20 other bikers on an out of the way sidewalk that does not interfere with anyone's walking.

What does the city do? (Yesterday) morning every bike had a warning on it that they'll be towed if they are parked there again.

Parking downtown is $20 a day. The city is "trying to cut down on cars in the downtown core," yet they make it very difficult to ride a motorbike to work.

If I park in a parkade, people steal the receipt off my bike and I get ticketed. JEFF M., VANCOUVER

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Cops expand anti-gang plans

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Greater Vancouver's Gang Task Force has expanded its hours and the scope of its target search spots in an effort to take the "cloak of invisibility" off gangsters.

Vancouver police Insp. Dean Robinson said yesterday that when the force was established in November, officers worked primarily at night and on weekends.

But he said officers are taking their search for gangsters beyond the clubs and restaurants to gyms, beaches, courts and special events, like the Cloverdale Rodeo.

"Right now we're on duty days and nights and we're encountering people and targets everywhere," Robinson said, adding that their presence has contributed to a "significant" reduction in shootings.

Since November, the force has checked 3,993 occupied vehicles, executed 57 warrants, laid 72 charges, and seized 23 firearms, five sets of body armor, four armoured cars, almost $90,000 in cash and unspecified amounts of drugs.

"Those numbers are directly the result of the high level of co-operation that's going on between the police agencies in the region right now," Robinson said.

News in brief

BIODIVERSITY Forty-three per cent of 3,800 species assessed in B.C. are a "conservation concern," according to a report released yesterday. Taking Nature's Pulse found that while B.C.'s biodiversity is in good shape compared to the rest of the planet, it is still vulnerable to rapid deterioration, especially from climate change. The science-based assessment by Biodiversity B.C. contains 23 major findings and includes conservation assessments on 3,800 of the province's estimated 50,000 species.

ASSAULT The Burnaby RCMP is looking for two men who have been sexually assaulting women on the street, cknw.com reports. A teenage boy has been groping women near the Edmonds SkyTrain station. On Tuesday, a man tried to force a teenage girl into the bushes near Royal Oak SkyTrain station.

POLITICS A Port Coquitlam councillor has announced his plan to run for mayor, news1130.com reports. Greg Moore, who has been a city councillor for six years, said he might run against Scott Young, who will be sentenced at the end of the month for assaulting is ex-girlfriend.

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Edmonton's Thomas Svekla appeals conviction
Thomas Svekla, who was found guilty of killing an Edmonton prostitute in June, is appealing his conviction. Svekla, was found guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Theresa Innes, 36, whose body was found in a hockey bag in a northeast Edmonton home. SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

"If they take our name, they've taken us."

Green Shift company founder Jennifer Wright, right, at a press conference yesterday announced their intention to sue the federal Liberal party.

Green Shift

An environmental firm sued the federal Liberal party yesterday for $8.7 million for using the company's Green Shift trademark as its carbon-tax plan slogan.

Changing our image

PM limits aid, greenhouse goals at G8

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who just wrapped up his third G8 summit, has redrawn Canada's image at the influential meetings from a force for progressive change to that of a hard-nosed, conservative player in world politics.

While he criticized U.S. President George W. Bush for refusing for years to accept the need to set targets for greenhouse gas reductions, the prime minister rejected the stiff emissions-reduction goals of the Kyoto Protocol as unattainable and an unfair burden on industrialized nations. And Harper, like his U.S. counterpart, kept Canada's climate change commitments to a minimum at this G8.

Critics also accused Harper of trying to limit aid to Africa and stop the pledge to spend $60 billion fighting AIDS and malaria.

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no standard

The G8 committed to halving greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, but gave no standard by which it would be halved.

Fallen soldier **Saluted**

FRED THORNHILL/REUTERS

Trenton, Ont., residents gather outside Canadian Forces Base to honour the arrival of Pte. Colin William Wilmot yesterday. Pte. Wilmot died July 5 after an explosive device was detonated near his security patrol in the Panjwayi District of Afghanistan.

Airline wary of U.S. fingerprinting

PROPOSAL Canadians flying home from the United States could find themselves standing in longer lineups at airport check-in counters if a U.S. proposal to fingerprint some exiting foreigners is adopted, the country's largest airline warns.

In a recent U.S. filing, Air Canada said the Department of Homeland Security's plan to expand a fingerprinting program to include passengers leaving the country by 2009 would be a "big step backward" for airlines, bogging down a check-in process that's becoming increasingly automated TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

$1M Air Canada estimates that the cost of operating such a system would be upwards of $1 million a year.

News in brief

NATIVE SCHOOLS More than 3,000 people have applied to the federal government's program to settle outstanding sexual or physical abuse claims arising from the Indian residential schools era following its apology last month.

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MDS files isotope lawsuit

MAPLE REACTOR MDS Inc said yesterday it has filed a $1.6-billion claim against Atomic Energy of Canada and the federal government for scrapping a reactor project that would have supplied the company with medical isotopes.

MDS, a medical services company, said its claim follows a May decision by the government and AECL to scuttle the Maple nuclear reactor project without giving the company prior notice.

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Study finds evidence of water on moon

Tiny green and orange glass balls brought back from the moon nearly 40 years ago by astronauts show evidence that water existed there from the very beginning, U.S. scientists reported yesterday. REUTERS

World

Brothel offers gas vouchers

A Nevada brothel is trying to stimulate business by offering free gasoline. Clients of the Shady Lady Ranch will get a $50 gas voucher if they fork out $300 — worth about one hour's worth of services — at the brothel in Beatty, Nevada, 130 miles northwest of Las Vegas. Owner James Davis said he already has had to order another $1,000 set of gas vouchers because the first $1,000 were spent in one week. REUTERS

Food prices leave more hungry

ASSESSMENT Costly food and oil pushed 133 million more people onto world hunger rolls in 2007, according to the U.S. Agriculture Department, which changed its 10-year outlook to a rise in hunger instead of a decline.

The USDA's annual Food Security Assessment said the number of "food-insecure" people in 70 developing countries rose to 982 million in 2007 from 849 million in the prior year.

The number of people struggling to obtain food could rise to 1.2 billion by 2017, USDA warned in a reversal of last year's forecast which saw the number of hungry people declining during the next 10 years in all regions, except Sub-Saharan Africa. REUTERS

Iran flexes missile muscle

Washington urges Tehran to refrain from further tests

Iran test-fired nine missiles yesterday and warned the United States and Israel it was ready to retaliate for any attack over its disputed nuclear projects.

Washington, which says Iran seeks atomic bombs, told Tehran to halt further tests. Iran, the world's fourth largest oil producer, says its nuclear programme is only for electricity.

Iran later announced night-time missile manoeuvres, and its missile tests rattled oil markets, helping crude prices to rebound about $2 a barrel after recent falls.

Speculation that Israel could bomb Iran has mounted since a big Israeli air drill last month. U.S. leaders have not ruled out military options if diplomacy fails to end the nuclear row.

Revolutionary Guards air force commander Hossein Salami said in televised comments that thousands of missiles were ready to be fired at "pre-determined targets."

The White House told Iran to "refrain from further missile tests if they truly seek to gain the trust of the world."

In Washington, U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, asked if the United States was any closer to confrontation with Iran, told reporters: "No, I don't think so." REUTERS

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A video grab from Al Alam television shows three of nine long- and medium-range missiles being fired during a test in Iran yesterday. Iran test fired nine missiles, including one which it has previously said could reach Israel and U.S. bases in the region.

News in brief

SANCTIONS Zimbabwe denounced the G8 nations' support for sanctions on its officials yesterday as part of a colonial and racist effort led by Britain and the United States to install a puppet government. A draft UN resolution calling for sanctions on President Robert Mugabe's government would include an arms embargo and financial and travel restrictions. REUTERS

MEDIA Romania's constitutional watchdog yesterday ruled against draft legislation that would require radio and television stations to air more "happy" news saying that it breaches the constitution. REUTERS

MILITARY Iraqi security forces will largely be able to fight on their own without combat help from U.S. ground forces by the middle of 2009, the senior U.S. Army officer in charge of training Iraqi forces said yesterday. REUTERS

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Spain set to overtake France in wine production
France could lose its status as the biggest wine producer to Spain by 2015 because Spanish wine growers are improving the yield of their vines while the French are shifting focus to higher quality and lower volume production, says a Credoc centre study. REUTERS

Business

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Bell, Telus in hot spot

The federal government tried to pre-empt a consumer revolt against BCE Inc. and Telus Corp. yesterday, demanding explanations on their new pricing policy for text messages.

Both companies announced they would begin charging from next month 15 cents for incoming text messages, which have been free until now.

Industry Minister Jim Prentice said he was particularly concerned that users could be charged for unsolicited, unwanted or spam messages.

The New Democratic Party launched an online petition demanding a reversal of the policy yesterday. Within hours, 5,000 people had signed it.

The party's I'm Against The Text Message Cash Grab group on Facebook has attracted 2,500 members, the party said in a release.

Telus defended its decision, saying the volume of text messages has skyrocketed and most U.S. carriers already charge for getting them. REUTERS

Housing **Starts drop**

CHRIS WATTIE /REUTERS

Construction workers frame a house in Ottawa yesterday. The number of housing starts dropped in June but the previous month's figure was upwardly revised, which convinced economists the sector is not headed for a U.S.-style meltdown.

News in brief

MORTGAGES Canada tightened the rules on government-backed mortgages yesterday, reducing the maximum amortization period to 35 years from 40 years. It will also require a minimum downpayment of 5 per cent; previously, insurance was available for 100 per cent of the value of a house. REUTERS

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Sports

Brand joins Sixers

The Philadelphia 76ers signed forward Elton Brand yesterday in one of the most significant free agent deals of the off-season. The Sixers did not release details of the deal but media reports said the 29-year-old had signed a five-year contract worth $82 million US. REUTERS

Sports in brief

NBA The Toronto Raptors officially acquired six-time all-star forward Jermaine O'Neal from the Indiana Pacers yesterday. The deal sends point guard T.J. Ford, centre Rasho Nesterovic, forward Maceo Baston and the draft rights to centre Roy Hibbert to Indiana. The Raptors also gain the draft rights to forward Nathan Jawai.

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Lions plan multiple honours for Ackles

CFL team aims to be the best that it can be

The B.C. Lions have finalized plans for a multi-dimensional tribute to the late Bob Ackles.

Beginning tomorrow and continuing throughout the season, the Lions will replace their regular helmet decal with a commemorative one that features the name "BOB" in the centre of B.C.'s traditional orange paw on a black background.

Coaches will don the identical patch, which also displays the motivational phrase "Be the best that you can be," which was coined by Ackles upon his return to the organization back in 2002.

The logo will appear on-field at B.C. Place during the July 18 game against Winnipeg, and the Lions will give each fan in attendance that night a commemorative button and the opportunity to purchase a special gold pin of similar design for $5. Net proceeds of the sale will go to Ackles' final project, the B.C. Football Hall of Fame. Finally, the Lions will hold a special post-game tribute to Ackles so that players are able to be in attendance as well.

If there is one event you go to this summer, make it the Lions' game on July 18. There's no better way to show your appreciation for Bob Ackles than helping to fill the dome, something he took so much pride in doing.

• The logo won't be the only new thing the Lions debut this Friday in Winnipeg. Diminutive running back Stefan Logan will play his first regular season game against the man most pundits compare him to Charles Roberts.

Logan has a long way to go to match Roberts' six consecutive seasons of more than 1,100 yards rushing, but his explosive running style will give the Leos a much different pace out of the backfield in the absence of injured tailback Joe Smith.

Citing a shoulder injury, Smith told reporters he would not even travel to Winnipeg to play the Bombers, although coach Wally Buono called Smith a game-time decision.

• Though some will see the Blues' offer sheet to Steve Bernier as more evidence of Canucks' GM Mike Gillis being excluded from the NHL's "old boys' club", I'm not buying it.

Sure, the move was payback for Gillis' similar offer to St. Louis winger David Backes, but that's just John Davidson letting Gillis know he didn't appreciate the targeting of his players. To suggest that it was anything more is a reach.

While there are some GMs that may not like Gillis, the notion that he won't be able to conduct business is absurd to me. Some of his cohorts may make life more difficult than it should be, but if their owners get wind that they turned down quality deals in order to shun the new guy, it won't be Gillis that's out of work.

• Want to weigh in? E-mail me at scott.rintoul@metronews.ca.

How to make a Scott Rintoul: Mix equal parts college athlete, sports fan and broadcaster. Shake vigorously.

Emery makes move to Russian league

NHL Former Ottawa Senators netminder Ray Emery has agreed to a one-year deal with Atlant Mytishchi of the new Russian Continental Hockey League.

The deal is reportedly worth $2 million US.

The 25-year-old Emery who was cut loose by the Sens last month, went 12-13-4 with a 3.13 goals-against average and an .890 save percentage last season.

• The Columbus Blue Jackets have given head coach Ken Hitchcock a three-year contract extension through 2011-12 season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Beijing Games

Paddle to the podium

Oldershaw follows family tradition to get to Beijing

ERIC BOWLING
for Metro Canada

Olympic-bound solo flatwater canoeist Mark Oldershaw is fulfilling his self-determined destiny in Beijing this August.

According to Oldershaw, he has wanted to paddle to the podium since he was eight-years-old.

"It's been a dream since I was a little kid," says Oldershaw, who is also picking at an English degree at Carleton University when he's not seeking global championships. "I grew up with the Olympics as part of my life with my grandfather, father and uncles all competing at the Olympics."

With four relatives now spanning three generations with Olympic experience, boating is in the Oldershaws' blood. His family is so intertwined with the sport that his coach also happens to be his father, Scott Oldershaw.

"It's good to have coaching pretty much 24/7," he says. "I can get coaching at the dinner table or at the club. Whenever I need it, he's there."

Oldershaw qualified for the Olympic Games in the C1 500m at the 2008 Flatwater Racing World Cup on June 5. Since then, he has been chiefly focusing on physical fitness, spending his time between his hometown of Burlington, Ont., and Ottawa.

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Flatwater canoeist Mark Oldershaw, left, sits with his coach — and father — Scott Oldershaw. Oldershaw says he is ready to face off against the world's finest at the Olympic Games next month.

"I'm getting back more into basics," Oldershaw, 25, says. "Trying to get running again, back into the weight room to get stronger. Just working hard until around the beginning of August, when I'll tone it down and try to peak for Beijing."

While he knows he's got his work cut out for him if he's going to taste gold in Beijing, Oldershaw is ready to face off against the world's finest.

"The Olympic champion is Andreas Dittmer from Germany, and the last year's world champion is David Cal from Spain, but it's such a close race that any given day a whole handful of people could get on the podium. I consider myself one of [those] handful of people."

Sarkozy to attend Games' opening

POLITICS The head of the European Parliament said he would skip the Beijing opening ceremony yesterday, hours after French President Nicolas Sarkozy said he would attend.

The announcement by Sarkozy's office unleashed a storm of criticism in the European assembly, with lawmakers accusing him of letting down EU efforts to pressure China on civil rights and Tibet. REUTERS

Tomorrow's lineup

SPLASHING OUT Once the absent underdogs of the sport, the Canadian men's water polo team is looking to make a big splash at the Olympics. Read tomorrow's Metro for more.

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Going Green

Top emitters

The following are the world's top 10 emitters according to 2000 emissions of greenhouse gases: United States, EU-27, China, Russia, India, Japan, Germany, Brazil, Canada and United Kingdom. REUTERS

Sailing into water problems

Algae blooms caused by excessive amounts of nitrogen from various sources

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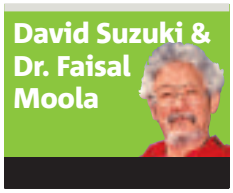

If you've been following news about the upcoming Beijing Olympic Games, you may have seen photos of thousands of workers trying to clean huge swaths of algae from the waters and beaches in co-host city Qingdao. The algae have proliferated over one-third of waters where sailing events will be held.

This is not an unusual occurrence, but it is a symptom of an underlying problem with potential repercussions far more serious than hampering Olympic events or adding to the negative publicity surrounding China's Games. The blooms — along with a host of other problems — are caused by excessive amounts of nitrogen from sources such as road and industrial run-off, untreated sewage, and, most of all, fossil-fuel combustion and agricultural fertilizers.

Because it is a major component of proteins and the atmosphere, nitrogen is a vital element in the biosphere. In the soil, nitrogen stimulates growth in plants. We can "fix" nitrogen from the air into fertilizer in a process that takes a lot of heat from fossil fuels.

Applied on farmers' fields, this artificial fertilizer induces plant growth, but scientists believe this has resulted in nitrogen entering the Earth's soils at more than twice its natural rate. This ripples out from the land to affect freshwater and marine ecosystems. Besides giving Chinese Olympic organizers headaches, algal outbreaks have also contaminated drinking-water supplies used by millions of people.

Nitrogen 'dead zones'

- Scientists predict that a massive "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico will grow to more than 26,000 square kilometres — half the size of Nova Scotia — this summer because of excess nitrogen in the water.
- These dead zones are growing in size and number, with as many as 200 now believed to have formed in the Earth's oceans.

Excess nitrogen can also disrupt or change plant-growth patterns (including contributing to the spread of invasive species), poison freshwater environments, deprive ocean ecosystems of the oxygen needed to support aquatic life, and even contribute to global warming.

Because we know where much of the excess nitrogen in the environment comes from, we know how to reduce the levels.

First, we must cut back on fossil fuels. But we can also reduce our use of chemical fertilizers, in agriculture, on golf courses, and even in our own backyards. We may not be able fix the problem in time for the 2008 Olympics, but we need to get on it now, or we'll have far bigger problems to contend with than where to hold Olympic sailing events.

Excess nitrogen can also disrupt or change plant-growth patterns.

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Conundrum: Save the salmon, kill the seals?

Eco-Minded
Kai Chan with Megan Mach

Salmon stocks are at near-record lows and market prices are rising quickly. Should we blame warming oceans? Overfishing?

In Washington and Oregon, the apparent culprits are actually the large-eyed, cuddly kind. A government bill proposes to kill California sea lions that feed in abundance near dams and fish ladders. In B.C., we have a similar conundrum: Harbour seals are one of the suspects being fingered as causing salmon scarcity.

Harbour seals are more abundant than ever. They eat up to 60,000 tons of fish each year — double the peak fish catch in this area — contributing to potential local extinctions of coho salmon and herring populations.

These smart mammals are not just hunting for fish on their own. After watching fishermen pull up lines dangling with fresh fish, the seals have learned thieving ways.

This depredation encroaches on fish supply during an already slow season, which might drive down salmon-related tourism. According to Dr. Carl Walters of UBC's Fisheries Centre, seals have changed the ecosystem dynamics, threatening the Strait of Georgia's biodiversity and fish production.

So, kill the seals? The idea is not foreign: In Atlantic Canada, six species of seals are hunted for commercial purposes, causing considerable controversy with our European neighbours.

Should we do the same? Tampering with nature yields uncertain results: Protecting B.C. seals 30 years ago served a purpose but now degrades local fish stocks. Will culling the seals reverse these changes or will it trigger other unintended consequences? The world has changed, and reversing actions doesn't always reverse consequences. Whichever course we choose, we can learn from it if we practise "adaptive management" — review our actions and learn from mistakes. We sure make enough of them — this way some good can come of it.

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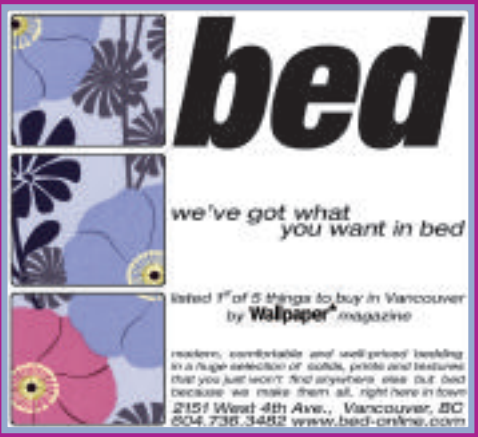
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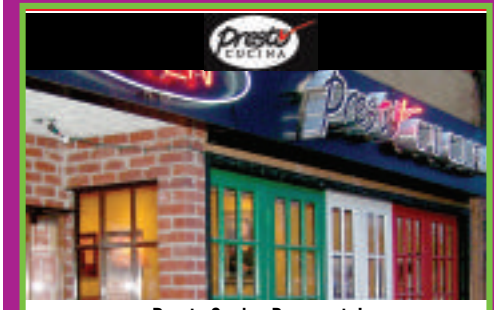

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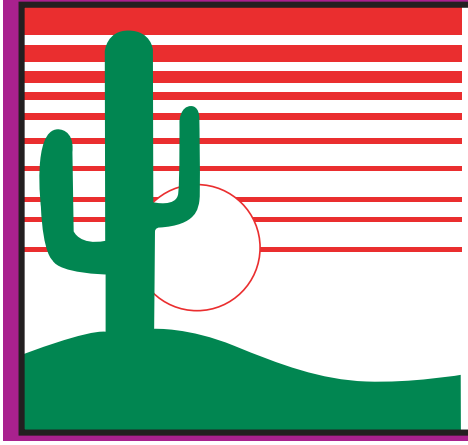

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Lifestyle

A-list style

Some folks will want to peruse So Chic: Glamourous Lives, Stylish Spaces (Filipacchi, $46.50) by Margaret Russell and the editors of Elle Decor for the boldface names whose interiors are profiled within. But the décor is the real star here. This survey of style is colourful and eclectic enough to provide some serious inspiration. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Gladioli provide waves of bloom

GARDENING Planting gladioli is a bit different from planting other summer bulbs, writes the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center. Gladioli are best planted repeatedly, adding more and more to beds, replanting new batches every 10 days.

The result is successive waves of new blooms from mid-summer into fall. Most bloom 70 to 80 days afer planting, though some bloom faster (55 days) and others slower (90 days). Gladioli stand tall, with orchid-like blooms borne upright as on a spear. For more on summer bulbs, *www.bulb.com*.

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With tile, less is more

Neutral colours and authentic material work best

UrbanDweller

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This week I've been swimming in tile. Porcelain tile. Glass tile. Tumbled marble tile. From mini-mini bricks — perfect for a really cute barbecue pit for Barbie! — to lead-heavy 18-inch squares. I've been sourcing tile for kitchen backsplashes, shower enclosures, tub surrounds and laundry rooms. My job is to take it all in, and come up with several tile schemes.

This used to be a simple task. Before this Olympic boom, and the Expo boom before that, before rampant globalization of home-improvement goods, the choice was pretty much limited to middle-of-the-road, middle-sized square tiles, mostly in white, off-white; a hideous range of marble-like patterns in dusty rose and sky blue; and a sad assortment of 'accent' tiles in fruity or floral themes. I have yet to meet someone willing to fess up to installing the anemic bouquets in their shower stall and poorly-rendered apples on their kitchen backsplash, so I can only assume that building contractors put them in to attract home-hunting ladies.

Too much of a good thing: High-contrast tile grids are better used in small amounts, or against a backdrop of large, plain tiles for some visual relief.

This lady loathes the look, which is why I've long recommended those on a tight budget to smash out the four-inch 'feature' squares and replace them with a nine-patch of one-inch glass tile in the same hue as the field colour.

The expense of tile and its installation is why choosing tile is a nail-biting business, and why ugly tile can be a deal-breaker for prospective home-hunters, but now there's a new problem, which one award-winning home-builder client calls 'Show-room-itis.'

Home-builders and -improvers become inflicted when hit with a constantly growing, changing array of product from Italy to China. They're dazzled by the vast choice of materials, patterns, colours, shapes and sizes and too often they're enticed to include a bit of everything. The writing is now on the wall: borders of mottled glass flanking crackle-glaze subway tiles over a run rustic stone squares that meet speckled granite countertops above marble-patterned ceramic tile floors. Yikes.

Here's an idea: Go simple. It's tile, not paint, so it's going to stay there for a while. Stick to neutral colours. Steer clear of busy borders, frames, strips and stripes. Consider doing a feature wall instead. Select the most authentic materials that your budget allows, and avoid 'faux' designs that attempt to look like something else.

Finally, take the Coco Chanel accessorizing tip: Pull together all the tile choices you think will enhance one particular space, then remove one type. Less is more.

Next week: A step-by-step lesson on making a low-budget pebble mosaic backsplash.

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House & Home

Keeping your cool, naturally

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Those hot sweltering days of summer are starting to make an appearance. Although we North Americans are accustomed to expensive air conditioning, the design teams knows there are ways to keep your décor naturally cool and inviting (and cheap!).

One of the most effective ways to cut down on heat entering the house is to cover your windows. Easy and good-looking décor solutions include opaque shades, bamboo blinds, mini-blinds or draperies. When they're closed, they can deflect 40 to 50 per cent of the solar heat gain that would enter your home without coverings.

Light colours work best, since, as we all know, dark colours absorb heat and radiate it into our homes. Close your window coverings and your window to keep out the sun and heated air during the time when the sun wants to shine through your window. This is especially significant for southern and western-facing windows. Only open them in the morning, evening, or at night, when your window is shaded or it is dark. When you do open them, try to open windows at opposite ends of a room to promote circulation.

Consider weatherproof blinds outside your window—these types of blinds can reduce heat entering the house because they deflect it before it enters the house. Shutters can also do the job. They can be installed seasonally, only for the summer months.

Shade, of course, mitigates the hot-house effect. Plantings, although they do take time to grow, can do wonders for reducing sunlight and heat entering your home.

This kind of cover is especially important on the south and west-facing part of the house, and is also beneficial for cutting the morning light on the east side. Deciduous plantings are best because they cut the heat in the summer and allow heat in the winter.

Another great way to introduce shade is to use attractive awnings outside your windows, especially if the roof overhang does not produce adequate shade.

Inside the house, keep upholstery and fabric surfaces as light-coloured as you can during the summer — if you have dark-coloured upholstery, consider slipcovers. Choose a light-coloured fabric and voila — you've got a great look that reflects light rather than radiates heat.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are co-hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

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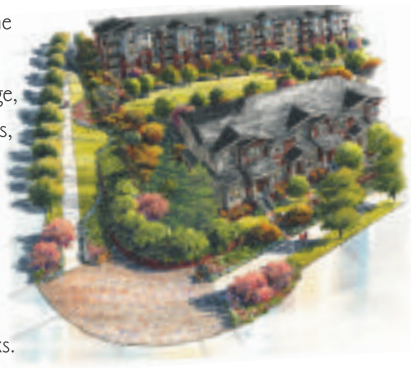

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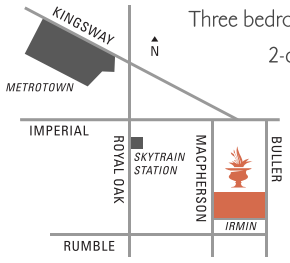

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Food

Napa cabbage is a tightly packed head of wide stalks with elongated, crinkled leaves that are creamy white or pale green. Barb Holland/for Metro Vancouver

Flavour

It has a mild, sweet cabbage flavour, sort of a cross between cabbage, lettuce and celery. It has a lightly crunchy texture that is good raw, lightly steamed or stir-fried.

À la carte

Barb Holland
Metro Food Writer

Keeping it simple with cool summer salads

When the temperature soars, cooler cooking should prevail. Often our appetites lessen while thirst increases in hot weather. Take your cooking outdoors and serve up big salads by grilling up lots of fresh vegetables and seasoned or marinated meat. Slice all and toss with plenty of crisp greens in a favourite dressing. Keep it simple.

Warm Asian Chicken & Napa Cabbage Salad

Keep the heat out of the kitchen. The main dish salad is a nice combination of colour, texture and flavour and perfect for warm days. Oranges provide a hit of sweetness and colour.

INGREDIENTS:

2 oranges
1 tbsp (15 mL) each: chili garlic sauce and soy sauce
1 lb (500 g) boneless, skinless chicken thighs
1 red pepper, quartered
8 cups shredded napa cabbage (Chinese cabbage), about 1 lb (500 g)
2 green onions, sliced
½ cup (125 mL) fresh coriander leaves
Dressing:
2 tbsp (30 mL) each: rice vinegar and vegetable oil
1 tbsp (15 mL) each: chili garlic sauce, soy sauce, minced fresh ginger
Salt and pepper

METHOD:

Using a sharp knife, remove peel and white pith from oranges. Over a bowl, cut between membranes to release segments. Catch juice in separate small bowl, squeezing remaining membranes to get all the juice. Add 1 tbsp (15 mL) chili garlic sauce and soy sauce to orange juice. Trim any excess fat from chicken and add chicken to orange mixture to marinate while preparing other ingredients.

In large salad bowl, place cabbage, orange segments, green onions and coriander.

Whisk dressing ingredients together.

Grill chicken and red pepper on preheated barbecue over medium to medium-high heat until chicken is tender and cooked through and pepper is lightly softened, 15 to 20 minutes.

Slice chicken and red pepper into strips; add to salad along with dressing and toss well. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 main-course servings.

Storage tips:

• Refrigerate napa cabbage in a plastic bag, as it readily absorbs nearby odours and use within one week.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

Oranges provide a hit of sweetness and colour to this recipe which includes chicken and red pepper.

When the pizza craving strikes, you can whip one of these quick and simple tortilla pizzas in just minutes.

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The latest book in Eric Akis' bestselling Everyone Can Cook series, Midweek Meals caters to people with busy lifestyles who value eating home-cooked meals with their families. Brimming with over 120 easy-to-follow recipes that are simple and quick to prepare, this book will help you avoid buying expensive, sodium-filled, fat-saturated, ready-made meals. Eric Akis is a food writer for the Times Colonist in Victoria and a freelance food consultant. Whitecap Books has offered Metro this recipe from Everyone Can Cook Midweek Meals: Recipes for Cooks on the Run:

Thin-crust Tortilla Pizza

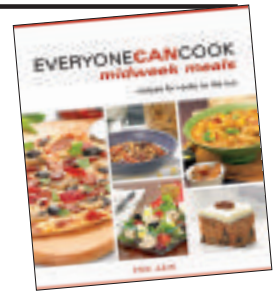
When the pizza craving strikes, you can whip one up in minutes with this simple recipe using tortillas you can find at any grocery store. The preparation time is 15 minutes, the cooking time is 10–12 minutes and this recipe makes one pizza, or 2–3 servings. Eric's options: Double or triple this recipe if you're feeding a larger group.

INGREDIENTS:

2 10-inch (25 cm) white or whole wheat tortillas
1½ cups (375 mL) grated mozzarella cheese
⅓ cup (75 mL) pizza sauce
Your choice of toppings, such as mushrooms, bell peppers, pepperoni, olives and nuggets of goat cheese

METHOD:

Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C). Place 1 tortilla on a parchment paper-lined baking sheet. Evenly top with half the grated cheese. Top with the second tortilla. Spread the pizza sauce overtop. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese and your desired pizza toppings. Bake for 10–12 minutes. Cool for a minute or two before cutting into wedges and serving.



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Entertainment

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Former Baywatch star Pamela Anderson has entered Australia's Big Brother house, surprising its six housemates, BBC News reports. METRO

Great Big Sea rock the boat

Hawksley Workman produces, actor Russell Crowe pitches in on latest album

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Great Big Sea's Sean McCann, left, Alan Doyle and Bob Hallett have a new album, Fortune's Favour.

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The two sides couldn't be any more different: Great Big Sea, a 15-years-strong mainstream East Coast act blending Newfoundland folklore and melodic pop-rock, bringing aboard Ontario-based indie wunderkind Hawksley Workman to produce their latest disc, Fortune's Favour.

Talk about a challenge.

"We were spending weeks circling each other trying to make this collaboration work," GBS multi-instrumentalist/singer Bob Hallett tells Metro. "Once we figured it out, (Hawksley) was able to take advantage of our eclectic and our desire for quality. And we could focus on his creativity."

Great Big help

Great Big Sea teamed up with, among others, songwriter-producer Hawksley Workman and actor Russell Crowe on the group's latest effort, Fortune's Favour.

Great Big Sea's eighth studio effort finds Hallett and his singer/multi-instrumentalist cohorts Alan Doyle and Sean McCann teaming up with Workman to emphasize all things "big": Big on the production work, big on the emotional flair. Even big on the rock: Not as in the nickname of the trio's home province, but as in upping the amps to 11 for the punk-driven Straight To Hell and Oh Yeah.

Though Hallett played in punk rock bands before joining GBS, credit for the aforementioned two cuts, shockingly, goes to Doyle.

"Back in high school, the bands I used to play in did a lot of hard rock and heavy metal," Doyle says. "I loved the attitude. In the case of Oh Yeah, I always wanted to do a song that could be played in hockey rinks, and had to have body checks written into the song. So I went home that night and put together the four dumbest power chords I could play on guitar and some shout of emotional joy."

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Certainly joy could be felt during the recording of Company Of Fools, Doyle's co-write with Oscar-winning actor Russell Crowe, whose now-defunct rock group 30 Odd Foot of Grunts once covered Great Big Sea songs. Crowe met Doyle while filming 2005's Cinderella Man, and the friendship resulted in Doyle producing the actor-singer's solo outing, My Hand, My Heart, that same year.

GBS even felt a tinge of the celebrity life when Crowe joined the band onstage this past St. Patrick's Day in Washington, D.C.

"All of a sudden, out of nowhere, this big force of paparazzi showed up," Hallett says. "Very surreal, but very funny."

Not to say the group isn't celebrated in the same way in its home country, where GBS are multi-platinum sellers, multi-East Coast Music Award winners, nine-time Juno nominees and a top concert draw.

And being hockey fans, it's surprising GBS hasn't been approached by the CBC to compose a new Hockey Night In Canada theme. "We once did submit a song for a segment of Hockey Night In Canada called Play The Game," Doyle says. "Who knows what happened to that?"

"(Hawksley) was able to take advantage of our eclectic-ness and our desire for quality. And we could focus on his creativity." Bob Hallet

In brief

MUSIC The battle for seating space on the Plains of Abraham between Paul McCartney and Céline Dion has ended in a draw. Dion's husband, René Angélil, was upset her Aug. 22 gig to celebrate Quebec City's 400th anniversary was limited to 100,000 fans; McCartney's July 20 show's limit is 200,000. Organizers have made room for another 100,000. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

PEOPLE The Group of Eight will have to make some tough decisions about its make-up or it will lose relevance, said activist Bob Geldof in northern Japan to lobby leaders on the sidelines of the G8 summit. REUTERS

Smashing Pumpkins plan 20th anniversary shows

MUSIC The Smashing Pumpkins will play a host of shows in the coming months to celebrate their 20th anniversary.

According to the group's Web site (*smashingpumpkins.com*), the Billy Corgan-fronted band will visit "mostly smaller-sized venues" during an August run featuring "unique sets and songs."

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So far the only date announced is Aug. 9 at the Venue in Hammond, Ind. Come November, the Pumpkins will anniversary shows at bigger venues in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and additional cities to be announced. Another run of dates focusing on the band's debut 1991 album, Gish, are on tap for early 2009, with cities to be announced.

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Lenny Lops Off Skeezy Guy

Lenny Kravitz, left, was so PO'd that Guy Oseary, his longtime manager, was getting his clients Madonna and A-Rod entangled in their current mess, he fired him, TMZ.com reports. METRO

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Performer and producer balances Haitian charity work with busy music career

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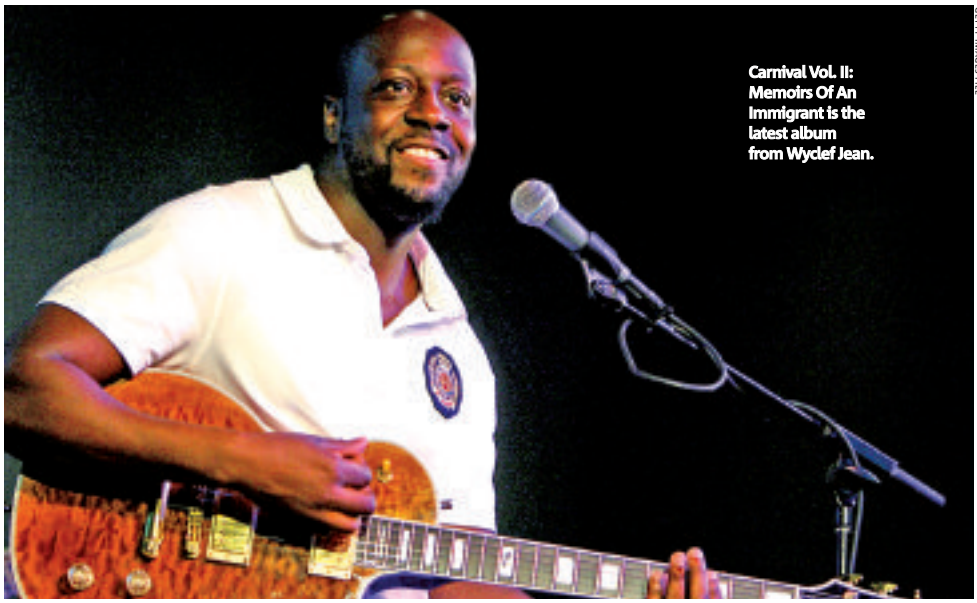

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Carnival Vol. II: Memoirs Of An Immigrant is the latest album from Wyclef Jean.

Like a hip-hop Bono, Wyclef Jean is deep in music and charity work.

Reached at a Manhattan studio, the former Fugee was wrapping up a recording session with Shakira — and just over jetlag. He had recently traveled to Haiti to visit his charity, Yele Haiti, which is working with the World Food Program to raise $48 million US towards his former home's food and agriculture crisis.

"It's definitely a sacrifice to try to keep up with my music career and still balance it with charity work," said Jean. "(But) I think being optimistic is always better. It's the hope of John Lennon — no matter how crappy things are, you should still give peace a chance."

That theme is apparent on the rapper-producer's latest, Carnival Vol. II: Memoirs Of An Immigrant. Uniting the album's reggae, rock and hip-hop rhythms is a perspective that acknowledges the world is darker than it was when Jean put out the original Carnival.

"Within that 10-year period, I've traveled a lot of the world, and…when you go to Brazil and see the favelas and know the government sees them too, you ask why they don't do anything," he said. "I was born in a hut and raised in the ghetto…A lot of people I know are doing double life in prison for something they did at a young age, and in their minds they really believe they might get an appeal, because if they ever lose that sense of hope, they would get a rope and hang themselves."

For that reason, after kicking off with relatively dark banger Riot, the disc flows into positive jams. It flips the nihilist anthem C.R.E.A.M to a hopeful refrain on Sweetest Girl (Dollar Bill), and as always, draws on guests like dancehall singer Sizzla, Mary J. Blige, Akon and even Paul Simon. Musically, Jean takes the pop-oriented production of Carnival I and mixes it with the explorations of 2004's Welcome to Haiti: Creole 101. Recorded in Creole and English and built around Caribbean rhythms, it was released on his label Sak Pasé and had a relatively low profile.

"(With) Carnival II, I wanted to bring Haiti to the masses. With Welcome to Haiti, I thought it would do that, but it didn't," he said, laughing. "(So) to get the masses, I had to do a record like Carnival — a great world music record that had a message."

in concert

Wyclef Jean plays General Motors Place on July 19. Tickets are still available at *ticketmaster.ca*.

TV performers ratify Hollywood labour deal

Nicholson

TELEVISION The smaller of Hollywood's two performers unions ratified a new primetime TV contract Tuesday, undermining a last-ditch bid by the larger, more militant Screen Actors Guild to secure a richer deal.

The labour pact with major studios covering 70,000 members of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists won final approval despite an unusual all-out campaign by SAG urging some 40,000 actors who belong to both unions to vote down the AFTRA accord.

"A majority of members ultimately focused on what mattered — the obvious merits of a labour agreement that contains substantial gains for every category of performer in both traditional and new media," AFTRA President Roberta Reardon said in a statement.

More than 62 per cent of AFTRA members casting ballots voted in favor of the new contract, the union said. The number of ballots returned and actual vote totals were not disclosed.

While AFTRA's margin of victory was substantially less than the 90 per cent range most Hollywood labour pacts attain for ratification, it was not immediately clear how much if any real additional clout SAG would gain in pressing its demands.

SAG's contract talks stalemated last week over some of the same issues that led to a 14-week screenwriters strike months ago, such as disagreements over how union talent should be paid for work created for the Internet.

A number of A-list stars joined the public relations blitz waged between the two actor unions, with Tom Hanks, Kevin Spacey and Sally Field siding with AFTRA while Jack Nicholson, Sean Penn and Viggo Mortensen lined up behind SAG.

SAG also has pressed for higher residuals from DVD sales, a demand both the writers and AFTRA were forced to abandon. REUTERS

going out

8 p.m. The Tempest. At Bard on the Beach, 301-601 Cambie St. Tix: $33. Info: bardonthebeach.org.

8 p.m. Jamaican band Skatalites performs reggae. At Richard's On Richards, 1036 Richards St. Tix: $30. Info: richardsonrichards.com.

8:30 p.m. Jazz band Aaron Hardie Quartet's CD Release Party. At Cellar Jazz, 3611 W. Broadway St. Tix: $10. Info: cellarjazz.com.

9 p.m. Maritimes Pop rock quartet Eric's Trip performs live. At The Plaza Club, 881 Granville. Tix: $18 plus service charge. Info: plazaclub.net.

9:15 p.m. Ultimate Improv Championship. At New Revue Stage, 1601 Johnston St. Tix: $8.50. Info: vtsl.com.

In brief

MUSIC Green River, an early grunge band that included future members of Pearl Jam and Mudhoney, has gone deep into its back catalog for its first show in nearly 21 years in Seattle on Sunday. The band will perform as part of the two-day 20th anniversary bash of iconic indie label Sub Pop Records. REUTERS

CMT has ordered a second season of its hit series My Big Redneck Wedding, as well as a holiday special starring Larry the Cable Guy. REUTERS

First sign of the end?

IntelleVision

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SMALL SCREEN GETS SMALLER: It probably won't change the fact that his shows are about as funny as swimsuit chafing, but Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane is launching his latest animated venture online this fall, with a series of 50 2-minute episodes of Seth MacFarlane's Cavalcade Of Cartoon Comedy, according to a Hollywood Reporter story.

What perplexes the Reporter is that MacFarlane's show will be hitting the internet through a deal he's made with Google, mere months after the May deal he made with Fox for US$100 million. Fox, you see, owns MySpace, and while the social networking site might not be as big as Google, it's surprising that the Rupert Murdoch's network would let a potentially lucrative online venture slip through their fingers in negotiations.

"Either MacFarlane's reps wanted to add too many zeroes to the deal to attach an Internet component," the Reporter story speculated, "or Fox didn't feel there were enough zeroes in ad revenue from such a deal to care.

The latter seems much less likely." MacFarlane can't write a non-gag-based joke to save his life, but his lawyers are obviously real monsters if they could protect the Google deal — which has apparently been in the works for a year — from Fox's legal team during negotiations. In any case, it seems that it was MacFarlane who had the leverage when Fox came to talk money, not the other way around.

What's really interesting is that MacFarlane is obviously sure that going online with a new show is going to be more lucrative in the long run than putting it out on primetime.

That sound you heard is the rumble of a tectonic shift in the way business is being done in Hollywood, and perhaps even the first audible death rattle of the broadcast model, long overdue.

FILE UNDER 'DUH': A new Nielsen study reports that people are spending more time watching video content on either their TV or computer screen, according to a New York Times story. I'm sure most of you are wondering how much Nielsen spent reaching that earth-shattering news, which ranks up there with "gas is expensive" and "pizza is awesome" in terms of revelations.

"The average American spent 127 hours of time with TV in May," reported the Times, "up from 121 hours in May 2007; and 26 hours on the Internet, up from 24 hours last year. More than 282 million people watch television in a given month and nearly 162 million use the Internet."

Hearing definitively that computers and mobile devices are measurable mediums for TV watching will probably have reverberations for advertisers, and prompt some flop sweat in network executive offices, but once again, there's nothing here that violates either common sense or historical inevitability.

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268	354	5	KNO	Profiles of Nature (CC)		Big Ideas	Design e2	Around the World		No. 57: History-House		King-Empire
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570	580	42	MM	Instant Star	MuchTopTens Top 10.		Gone Wild	Punk'd (CC)	Gone Wild	Muchmusic Countdown (CC)		
600	564	26	H&G	Junk Brothers	The Big Flip	Holmes on Homes (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		The Fix (CC)	Disaster DIY	Junk Brothers
615	520	61	A&E	The First 48 (CC)		Crime 360 "Deadly Secrets"		The First 48 (CC)		The First 48 (CC)		The First 48
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521	560	24	TLC	Miami Ink (N) (CC)		American Chopper		Miami Ink (CC)		Garage	Garage	LA Ink (CC)
616	522	39	SHO	ReGenesis "The Source"		Intelligence (CC)		G-Spot (CC)	Exes & Ohs	Secret Diary	Secret Diary	House (CC)
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522	506	44	HIS	NCIS "Pop Life" (CC)		Clash of Warriors (CC)		Battlefield Detectives (CC)		NCIS "Pop Life" (CC)		Crime Stories
627	528	45	SPC	(6:00) The Lost Room (CC)		Stargate SG-1 (CC)		Star Trek: Voyager (CC)		Star Trek: Enterprise (CC)		Star Trek Gen.
294	650	47	TBS	Old School ★★ (2003) Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell. (CC)				Sex and-City	Sex and-City	Bill Engvall	(:40) My Boys	Old School
619	525	48	TROP	Inside Hollywood (CC)		ET Canada	What	Family Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)	Family Guy
603	561	52	FN	Secret Life of	Secret Life of	Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Iron Chef America (CC)		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Secret Life of
626	547	57	COM	Air Farce	22 Minutes	Laughs	Rick Mercer	The Simpsons	South Park	VIP	Tom Green	Daily Show
320	621	60	CEN	(6:30) Between Truth and Lies		December Boys ★★ (2007) Daniel Radcliffe.		(:45) Stardust ★★★ (2007) Claire Danes, Charlie Cox. (CC)				
581	566	101	MTV	True Life (N) (CC)		MTV Live (CC)		The Real World (CC)		True Life (CC)		MTV Live
261	394	102	V	(6:00) Oscar and Lucinda ★★★ (1997) (CC)			Shrines	A Fine Madness ★★★ (1966) Sean Connery. (CC)				Paid Program
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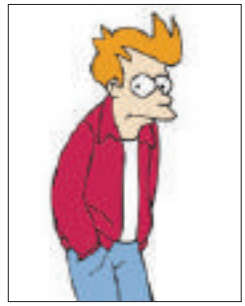
Futurama

Lots of shows do valentine-themed stories, but you won't find any others like "Put Your Head on My Shoulder." Fry starts getting cozy with Amy, but is fearful when she responds in kind. He finds excuses why they shouldn't get that close that fast — but then a related accident puts his head on her body, resulting in major closeness. 8:30 PM on YTV



Old School

It's time guys of a certain age learned to leave the college hijinks to the college kids. It wasn't funny when Rodney Dangerfield went "Back to School." It was only marginally funny when Homer Simpson enrolled in college. So despite the presence of three very funny guys — Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell and Vince Vaughn — in the leads, this 2003 "comedy" about disillusioned 30-somethings trying to recapture the fun of their younger days falls as flat as last night's beer. 7 PM on TBS

More kids for Mel B

Spice Girl star Melanie Brown wants more children with husband Stephen Belafonte — and may have 11 more if he gets his way. "We plan to have some more kids," she says. "He says he wants 12 or 13." METRO

Celebrity Buzz

Jolie pics were fake

SPECIAL WINDOWS Don't expect to catch any glimpses of Angelina Jolie in her hospital room.

The hospital in Nice, France, where Jolie, 33, is staying as she awaits the birth of her twins has coated the windows of her room with special insulating material that cameras cannot see through, various news sources report. The news comes after several photographs — allegedly of Jolie and Brad Pitt — have surfaced.

"It is impossible to see into Mr. Brad Pitt and Mrs. Angelina Jolie's room," a rep for the Fondation Lenval hospital said in a statement. "So any pictures released are either posed fakes set up by paparazzi or they are pictures of other patients. We hope this is clearly understood out of respect for all patients in this clinic."

This week, Pitt was spotted arriving at the hospital, where he visited Jolie, who is staying in a four-room suite overlooking the Mediterranean.

Pitt has been a frequent visitor, bringing the couple's daughters, Shiloh, 2, and Zahara, 3, along. On Saturday the actress' brother James Haven also visited.

Jolie is undergoing observation and is expected to give birth anytime "in the next weeks," her obstetrician said.

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ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Amy in more fisticuffs

PUB ATTACK As the sentencing of her husband, Blake Fielder-Civil, nears, Amy Winehouse has been accused of lashing out at a stranger — for the third time in two weeks, various media outlets report.

In the most recent altercation, she reportedly punched a fellow drinker at Camden's Dublin Castle pub in what was claimed was an unprovoked attack.

"She was in front of me at the bar and suddenly turned and walloped me three times across the face," Wayne Lindsay, 29, told Britain's Daily Mirror. "I couldn't believe it. I hadn't said a word to her or touched her."

A source close to the singer tells *People.com* that Winehouse merely reacted because someone grabbed her from behind — and that her security then stepped in.

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Fan saves Pearl Jam photos

LOST AND FOUND A Pearl Jam fan came to the rescue of frontman Eddie Vedder in New York last week after the rocker's girlfriend left an iPhone full of personal photos on the back seat of a cab, *imdb.com* reports . The devotee was quick to return the item when Vedder called it. He was rewarded well by the rocker. METRO NEWS SERVICES

celebrity brief

Mayer 'hooked up' with a fan

NAMELESS John Mayer might be keeping mum about his current steamy relationship with Jennifer Aniston, but the soulful singer opened up recently night about a past relationship — with a nameless fan, *people.com* reports. During an intimate performance at the Z100 Lounge at New York City's Spotlight Live nightclub for radio station Z100, Mayer was asked by a concert-goer if he had ever "hooked up" with a fan from a performance. Mayer responded, "Do you respect my honesty? Yes, I have."

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Cook fights dog poop eviction

CLEANUP Comedian Dane Cook is relying on a jury to clear him of allegations that the star allows his pet dog to defecate on the land surrounding his Los Angeles home, *IMDB.com* reports. The Good Luck Chuck star is facing eviction from the West Hollywood apartment after allegedly ignoring three warnings from the building's owner about his chihuahua's dog poop.

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celebrity brief

Barrymore's denial

SPLIT Actress Drew Barrymore has denied claims she withheld news of her split from boyfriend Justin Long from People Magazine because it published unflattering pictures of her, *imdb.com* reports.

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No tattoos: Kilmer

INK Val Kilmer was put off ever getting a tattoo by the thought of wearing the same dirty T-shirt forever, a comparison a colleague of his made when he was only 14 years old. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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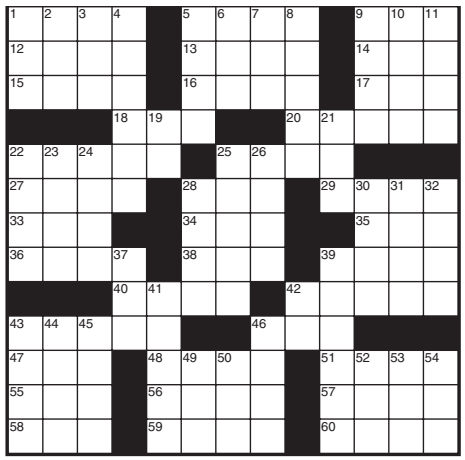
Ali's no Miley

Fourteen-year-old Ali Lohan says the sound of her upcoming album is different from fellow teen star Miley Cyrus: "She's really good," Ali tells People Magazine. "But I have different music than her. It's a different vibe. Mine is more hip-hop. Kind of like Rihanna." METRO

Take Five



Crossword across

1 Dolphin habitats
5 Make bye-bye
9 Talk to a beat
12 "Moneytalks" group
13 Cyrus' realm, today
14 "Evil Woman" rockers
15 Exude moisture
16 Loud noises
17 Old-time pitcher — Maglie
18 Born
20 Get rid of knots
22 Damp
25 Tearful request
27 A Baldwin
28 Eur. country
29 Golf stroke
33 Sturm — Drang
34 Burrow
35 Might
36 Whip
38 Brown of big bands
39 Boot jingler
40 Sporty trucks
42 Sauce with basil
43 Not now
46 Go for the gold
47 Fishtail
48 Elegant coiffure
51 Pocket change
55 Frat letter
56 Gizzard
57 Revise
58 Superman's monogram
59 Untold centuries
60 Computer input

Crossword down

1 — Paulo
2 Kind of system
3 Carpentry tool
4 Picturesque
5 Boundless
6 Meyers of "Kate & Allie"
7 FedEx truck
8 Follow upon
9 Balance
10 Kirghiz range
11 Fishing gear
19 Mag exec
21 Fabric surface
22 Tow
23 Bone below the elbow
24 Some T-shirts
25 Gets nosy
26 Lower limbs
28 Like some fears
30 Refs
31 Tight as a drum
32 Rookie
37 Shade of a color
39 Removed the pits
41 Cease-fire
42 Geometry term
43 Homer's instrument
44 Sighs of relief
45 Deuces
46 Commitments
49 Major leaguer
50 Marino or Rowan
52 Snake River loc.
53 Engineering sch.
54 Incoming-plane stat

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previous day's answer

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This day in history

JULY 10, 988: The City of Dublin is founded on the banks of the river Liffey.

JULY 10, 1212: The most severe of several early fires of London burns most of the city to the ground.

JULY 10, 1913: Death Valley, California hits 134 °F (about 56 °C), which is the highest temperature recorded in the United States.

JULY 10, 1958: In Alaska the highest tsunami wave ever recorded at Lituya Bay, at 524 metres high.

Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Keep your love blazing in spite of tension. Desperate acts will confuse you. Emergency measures must be taken.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Flabbiness calls for action. Vanity interferes with getting what you want. A co-worker wants to walk off the job.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Watch out for fire engines. A love interest sparks your mischief. Express respect for an elder's solid values.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Be prepared to come to someone's rescue. Misery loves company, but you may not. You have to demand action from somebody.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Get straight to the point with an authority figure. An older person makes unreasonable demands. Visit a person who has peculiar notions.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Increase your credibility if you wish to avoid shame. Analyze a wild romantic who is destitute. A stupendous bore talks about profits.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Pay attention to someone with a grievance. Travelling will have twists and turns. Sharing expenses will help develop harmony.

SCORPIO
OCT 24- NOV 22
A mystic has enlightenment to distribute. You'll be aware of potent silences. Avoid being cynical about a friend's happiness.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23- DEC 21
A goofy guy is a guardian angel. Be empathetic with someone who has failed. A self-induced crisis is looming.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Your patience will be rewarded in due time. Nonsense has some people bothered. Someone just wants to have a fight.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
You must improvise in order to fix things. You'll get great bargains. Activity will increase by day's end.

PISCES
FEB 19-MAR 20
Don't make assumptions or you'll look silly. Have a comfort session with a friend. Menial domestic chores will be too thrilling.

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Sudoku

INSTRUCTIONS:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

1	9	7	2	3	8	6	4	5
2	6	4	7	1	5	3	8	9
8	5	3	4	9	6	1	2	7
9	4	8	6	5	7	2	3	1
5	1	6	3	4	2	9	7	8
3	7	2	1	8	9	5	6	4
4	3	9	8	2	1	7	5	6
7	2	5	9	6	4	8	1	3
6	8	1	5	7	3	4	9	2

SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:
Under 13 . . . . . Genius
13-17 . . . . . Scholar
17-21 . . . . . Smart
21-25 . . . . . Not bad
25+ . . . . . Keep practicing

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Sunny. 15°	Clear. Low 12°	Mainly sunny. 19°/ 13°	Sunny. 19°/ 13°	Sunny. 21°/ 13°

Temperature
Normals
High: 21.5°
Low: 12.7°

Records
High: 28°/2002
Low: 8.9°/1972

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Moonrise: 2:42 p.m.

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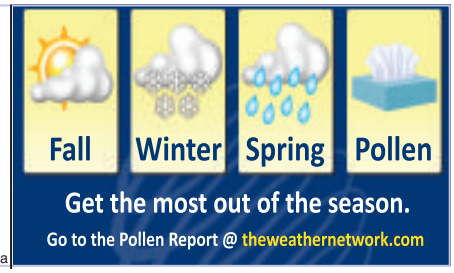

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